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Lieutenant General John D. Ryan  
The Inspector General, USAF  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Ryan:

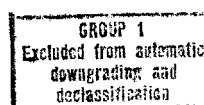
On the occasion of the transfer of Colonel Raymond S. Rife from his position as Deputy Director for Operations, Directorate of Special Investigations, I would like to take the opportunity to express the appreciation of the Central Intelligence Agency for the splendid assistance rendered by Colonel Rife to several ultra-sensitive programs with which the CIA has been involved.

The cooperative attitude and excellence of the caliber of OSI security support typified by Colonel Rife contributed in no small way to the degree of success achieved in maintaining the security of these vital programs.

I would be most grateful if you would inform Colonel Rife of our sincere thanks and of the wishes of his many Agency colleagues for his continued success in the future.

Faithfully yours,

Marshall S. Carter  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy Director



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